

## Flood question decided Tuesday

### Corps of Engineers says 'Yes'

By Andy Siering  
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — A spokesman for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers said Friday that Metro East Sanitary District voters can have confidence in the way the Corps is used for renovation of flood-gates, pumping stations and drainage ditches over the next five years.

Taxpayers are being asked to vote on a flood protection question in balloting Tuesday here and in the Granite City and East St. Louis areas. Improvements totaling \$8 million are proposed, mostly financed by the federal government.

Rehabilitation of MESD facilities is to be carried out by the Engineer Corps to protect people and groundwater.

More than three-fourths of the costs would be borne by the federal and state governments if voters approve the local share. The 21.68-cent

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general MESD tax rate would rise to 47.8 cents for five years and then drop to 31.2 cents on each \$100 of assessed value in subsequent years.

Among a number of other groups, the Southern Illinois Builders Association said Friday that it is strongly backing the project.

"The failure of this referendum would be a dramatic setback to economic development in Metro East," said Bruce Holland, president of SIBA.

Holland warned that defeat would result in severe restrictions on federal home and building loans and drastic increases in flood insurance rates.

Residents entire region, from the Mississippi River east to Illinois 157, could end up "dead in the water," Holland said.

Opponents have asked whether the MESD might revert to practices of its predecessor, the East Side Levees and Sanitary District, including rationing water. Public affairs officer Clyde Wilkes emphasized that the Engineer Corps would be the contracting authority for all rehabilitation work.

Only after the project is completed would the Corps step out of the picture, to a degree, with the MESD then undertaking maintenance responsi-

bilities under close state monitoring, he said.

Some opponents feel the Corps should bear more responsibility for protecting floodplain portions of Madison and St. Clair counties because of its levees at the Chain of Rocks Canal. But the Corps said the Corps is responsible only for part of the levee system. "The majority of the levee system is only as good as the poorest portion of it," Wilkes added.

One phase of the \$8 million program is a proposed system of 60 deep wells to lower groundwater levels. While some fear the plan would jeopardize

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### What a 'YES' vote means

Work to be done	Benefits	Cost to us	Federal help	Total cost
<b>Flood control</b> Repairing or replacing all pumps, floodgates and lift stations and dredging all canals, channels and ditches.	1. Protect homes and businesses from threat of Mississippi River. 2. Increase home and business property values. 3. Provide for future growth and development of region.	\$5,750,000 by increasing MESD property tax for 5 years. For \$30,000 home increase would cost 50¢ per week.	\$17,250,000	<b>\$23,000,000</b>
<b>Deep wells</b> Installation of about 60 deep wells and pumping facilities to lower the underground water table.	Eliminate up to \$3,000,000 annually in basement and sewer line damage.	\$0 NO local tax dollars.	\$6,000,000 in federal funds. \$1,200,000 in public lands allowance. \$800,000 in state funds.	<b>\$8,000,000</b>

## Head-on crash deaths ruled accidental

EDWARDSVILLE — The bodies of Granite City residents involved in a three-car crash last month were accidentally, a jury concluded following a coroner's inquest Thursday.

On Jan. 10, Michael Stadler, 29, and Mary Ellen Barger, 26, were killed when Stadler's auto crossed the median in the 4200 block of Nameoki Road (Illinois 203), striking Barger's car head-on.

The two were pronounced dead at the scene. Stadler was taken to St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where he died in the emergency room a short time later.

A third vehicle, belonging to Ron Nelson of Snelson's Auto Body, Granite City, was struck by Barger's following the initial collision.

During the inquest, Rhoades testified that he saw the collision and that the Barger car "tumbled and struck his car" before Stadler's auto crossed the median and pulled into a driveway. Neither he nor his wife Kimberly was injured.

"I noticed that the battery of the red car (Stadler's) was on fire," Rhoades said. He said he disconnected the battery with pliers from his car and that the fire was put out with a fire

extinguisher from a passing UPS delivery truck.

Granite City Police Det. Ron Landman testified that Stadler had been experiencing brake problems with his auto based on statements by Joe Morrison, owner of the Taco Bell restaurant, where Stadler worked.

Morrison said he (Stadler) had received an estimate for brake work for \$400, Landman said. "He had planned to help Stadler with a brake job that evening."

Landman testified that Ron Nelson of Snelson's Auto Body, where the vehicle was taken for

examination, said that Stadler had attempted to stop.

"The left front wheel was locked, indicating pressure had been applied to the brakes," Landman said. "The brakes were in a condition that, exceeding 40 mph, an emergency stop could not be made."

Landman said witnesses' accounts placed Stadler's auto in the 45 mph range, the speed limit at that location.

Landman said empty brake fluid cans in the Stadler auto suggested a leak in the hydraulic system, but due to the damaged

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## DARE program launched in Granite City schools

By Nicole Vaughn  
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Just a few months ago, the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program was a topic for discussion. Last week, it became a reality in the former Granite City Police Officers Walter Miller Jr. and Ned Tapp.

Following an intensive two-week training program which ended Saturday, the officers made their classroom debut on Monday. According to Richard Brinkhoff, District 9 administrative assistant for elementary education, the debut was not without a few "opening night jitters."

"I never dreamed I'd see two police officers as nervous as cats on a hot tin roof, but I did on Monday," Brinkhoff said at Tuesday's school board meeting.

But the jitters were remedied quickly and the officers got spokelink reviews from principals and teachers.

"They were just wonderful," Kathy McBride, Wilson School principal, said. "The kids were overwhelmed by their enthusiasm."

"I never dreamed I'd see two police officers as nervous as cats on a hot tin roof, but I did on Monday," Brinkhoff said at Tuesday's school board meeting.

"The department is always active in community service and this really is a good program."

DARE is an eight-week program designed to educate teens about the dangers of drug abuse before junior high school, where they might be faced with the problem.

For this semester, DARE has been in four public schools and the two parochial schools. The program is given at Mitchell School on Monday, Wilson School on Tuesday, Niedringhaus School on Wednesday, Brinkhoff said on Thursday. Holy Family School on Friday morning and St. Elizabeth School on Friday afternoon. Each of the public schools has three sixth-grade

classes and the parochial schools have three between them for a total of 15 classes.

Brinkhoff said the program will move to the other five grade schools for the fall of 1989. DARE is not a 17-week program but the first round of schools will have only 14 weeks. The school term ends June 6.

While the first run of the program may be shorter, Brinkhoff said the children will still get the full benefit.

"They've been getting two lessons for the first week so they're already one lesson up," Brinkhoff said. DARE lessons which normally last 45 minutes have been lengthened to an hour to help with the catching up.

L. Monroe Worthen, school treasurer and DARE committee member, said that the only thing missing is money.

"We're going on to the next phase, which is to — fund-raising," Worthen said.

The school board and the city council signed a DARE agreement last month dividing the cost of the officer's salary and benefits.

While both officers are now DARE-certified, Milton will be the full-time DARE instructor while Tapp is a substitute, Assistant Police Chief Ron Selph said. Tapp assisted with DARE training last week but will return to his regular shift duty tomorrow.

An officer has been hired to replace Milton but cannot work (without supervision) for six months while in training.

"Until the officer is fully trained, there will be (more) gaps there for a while," Selph said. In spite of any scheduling difficulties, Selph said, the force supports the program.

"The men on the department are all behind it," Selph said.

Thursday, Feb. 27, 1989

Secret Service agents raided a Granite City print shop that allegedly produced \$250,000 in bogus \$20 bills. The shop owner was arrested in Racine, Wis., and three associates apprehended in Tallahassee, Fla.

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### Asbestos deadline tomorrow

THOUSANDS OF asbestos victims must notify the Manville Personal Injury Settlement Trust of their intent to file claims against the company by Feb. 28. Manville is the Illinois Chapter of the White Lung Association, an asbestos victims organization, can be contacted for information at 656-5957. Manville Corp., the U.S.'s largest manufacturer of insulation products, went bankrupt in 1982, and a court set up a trust fund to pay victim claims.

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## Man killed on Illinois 3

GRANITE CITY — A 34-year-old Granite City man was fatally injured in a two-car crash which injured two other people at Illinois 3 and West Pontoon Road at 7:20 a.m.

Kevin K. Trobaugh of the 4000 block of Route Avenue was pronounced dead at 9:08 a.m. Thursday in the emergency room at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Death was attributed primarily to head injuries.

Trobaugh, a McDonnell Douglas Corp. employee, apparently drove on Illinois 3 from a side trip on West Pontoon Road into the path of a northbound car operated by Jerry F. Chappell Jr., 21, of the \$100 block of West 20th Street, according to police reports and witnesses at the scene.

Chappell told police that he did not have time to stop in Chappell's car, sustained injuries and was taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where he was treated and released.

A 4-month-old infant, Jonathan Chappell of the same address, also a passenger in the car, was examined at the hospital and released.

An obituary notice is given elsewhere in this issue.



Kevin Trobaugh

West 20th Street, a passenger in Chappell's car, sustained injuries and was taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where he was treated and released.

The impact knocked the Trobaugh auto into the grassy median of the four-lane highway, destroying a one-way traffic sign.

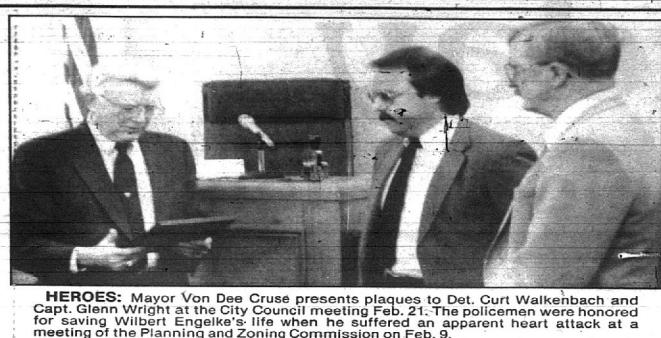
Trobaugh was unconscious when removed from the auto. He was alone in the vehicle. Karen Cavanaugh, 18, of

and concealment of a homicidal death.

Circuit Judge Charles V. Romani Jr. has not set a date for sentencing.

Johnson had been held in the Marion County Jail in lieu of \$100,000 bond since Nov. 10, 1988, when he was arrested on a charge of first-degree murder by Madison County Detective Harry

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**HEROES:** Mayor Von Dee Cruse presents plaques to Det. Curt Walkenbach and Capt. Glenn Wright at the City Council meeting Feb. 21. The policemen were honored for saving Wilbert Engelke's life when he suffered an apparent heart attack at a meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission on Feb. 9.

## 3 hurt on icy overpass

**GRANITE CITY** — Icy patches on the 19th Street overpass shortly after 10 a.m. on Feb. 21 resulted in two persons sustaining injuries in a traffic accident. Another motorist was hurt at the same time on Illinois 3.

Peggy Squires, 53, of Bettendorf, Iowa, was driving on the eastern side of the overpass when a car heading west slid in front of her vehicle, causing a collision. The car, 900 feet west of Benton Street, a reported

Driver of the westbound car was Clarence Evans Jr., 36, of the Garesche Homes, Madison. The overpass was covered with ice and traction was minimal at the time.

Squires and Evans were taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth

Medical Center. Both were treated in the emergency room and released, a hospital spokesman said.

The second accident occurring at the same time was on Illinois 3 about one-third mile north of West Pontoon Road.

Monica M. Gurovich of the 3400 block of Colgate Place was traveling north on Illinois 3 in the right lane when her auto began skidding on the pavement, swerved across the next lane into the center median and struck the base post of a large overhead highway sign for southbound traffic.

Gurovich, 37, was injured in the crash but declined ambulance service.

## Madison police

### Collision at Harrison

Robert L. Null Jr., 20, of the 2300 block of Hodges Avenue sustained an injury Feb. 9 when his car, northbound on Illinois 203, was involved in a collision with an auto operated by Joanne C. Ray, 32, of Harrison Street, Madison. Ray's auto was turned into Harrison Street from southbound 203.

### 2 trespass charges filed

—After receiving a report of unwanted persons in the parking area at Gateway Midstate Truck Plaza, 699 Illinois 203, at 10:30 p.m. Feb. 13, police located Kenneth W. Swayze, 28, of East St. Louis, who was charged with criminal trespass to property. Each posted \$100 bail and was released.

## Venice police

### Thief takes purse, \$10

Dorothy Henry of the 200 block of North 6th Street, Brooklyn, was walking toward the home of a sister in the 100 block of the Venice Homes when a man grabbed a black purse from her grasp at 3:20 p.m. Feb. 17.

Henry said the thief, a black man about 6 feet 1 inch tall with light skin, ran to a car which then was driven away. The purse contained \$10, identification, medical and Social Security cards and photographs.

### Driver hurt at Broadway

Jerome J. Mudd, 46, of the 4200 block of Rode Avenue was taken by Campbell Ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center at 9:25 p.m. Feb. 18. He was driving east on the 300 block of Broadway when, he said, his pickup truck was forced off the street, resulting in a traffic accident. He was charged with careless driving.

### Property damage alleged

Robbie Gary, 24, of the 1200 block of Douglass Street was charged with two counts of battery Feb. 18 near the McKinley Bridge Toll Plaza.

When girl, 16, said she was standing with Gary, who was waiting for a bus, when he began calling her names, kicked her and also struck her in the face, head and back.

### Saw and wire stolen

A set of black tires and a roll of black wire was stolen from the rear of a residence in the 600 block of Broadway, it was reported Feb. 18 by Mike Corrado of the 2500 block of Pine Street, Granite City.

### Burglar takes television

Barbara Brown, 36, of the 600 block of Fourth Street, reported Feb. 17 a black and white television was taken in a burglary at her home. Entry was gained through a broken window.

### St. Louis man charged

Darren A. Gray, 19, of St. Louis was charged with two counts of battery Feb. 18 near the McKinley Bridge Toll Plaza.

When girl, 16, said she was standing with Gary, who was waiting for a bus, when he began calling her names, kicked her and also struck her in the face, head and back.

A woman relative of the girl saw the incident from a nearby house, ran outside and tried to deter Gary by throwing a bottle in his direction; it missed.

Charles Seals, 46, another relative of the girl, next approached Gary and hit him in the eye with the bottle at Seals, hitting him under the right eye, it was contended.

Personnel in the bridge toll booth called police, and Campbell Ambulance transported the girl to the emergency room at St. Elizabeth Medical Center for examination.

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## Burglar climbs in window

Police searched the Madison Sunoco Station in the 1900 block of Edwardsville Road and found two windows broken in the garage door at 12:30 a.m. Feb. 13.

Some living nearby had reported seeing a man wearing a stocking cap, denim jacket and jeans break the window and climb inside the garage. The man apparently slipped and struck his head on the floor and then climbed back out.

The burglar fled in foot down an alley. Kenneth Switzer of Caseyville, owner of the business, was notified and said nothing appeared to be missing.

### Coat and \$200 stolen

Mark Purkakle of the 1600 block of Second Street, an employee of Gateway Midstate Truck Plaza, 699 Illinois 203, reported Feb. 13 that his black denim trench coat was stolen after being left hanging behind the net desk at the truck stop. In the coat pocket were \$200 and a set of keys.

### Truck looted at plaza lot

Donald Dickerson, a truck driver from Wyoming, reported Feb. 9 that while he was in the restaurant at Gateway Midstate Truck Plaza, 699 Illinois 203, he had his driver's window on his 1984 Freightliner truck and stole a radar detector from the cab.

### Warehouse burglarized

A burglar removed a window at the Swift Adhesives warehouse, 8 Farish Drive, pried the lock on a storage cabinet and searched other cabinets, it was reported Feb. 13.

The intruder broke into a soft drink vending machine, causing an estimated \$700 worth of damage to the machine, and took about \$30 in change from the coin box.

### Burglar gets color TV

A man whose television valued at \$250 was stolen in a burglary at the home of James W. Collier, 200 block of West Madison Street, he reported Feb. 10. The front door had been forced open.

## Fire at GC Steel North Plant

**GRANITE CITY** — A fire at the base of a fence which runs at Granite City Steel's North Plant brought an assortment of first equipment to the scene at 3 p.m. Tuesday. No one was injured in the blaze.

Obsolete equipment is stored in the area of the fire, which apparently was ignited from a torch-cutting operation by workers from ClayCo, an outside contractor.

Flames from the washer base went vertically through the roof

of the building, according to a fire department spokesman...

The fire interrupted operations for three hours at the plant, Ben Collier, spokesman for Granite City Steel, said. The equipment damaged in the fire was obsolete and no loss was estimated.

Firefighters remained at the scene for two hours. Responding were a pumped aerial ladder truck, telequirt and backup paramedic firefighters.

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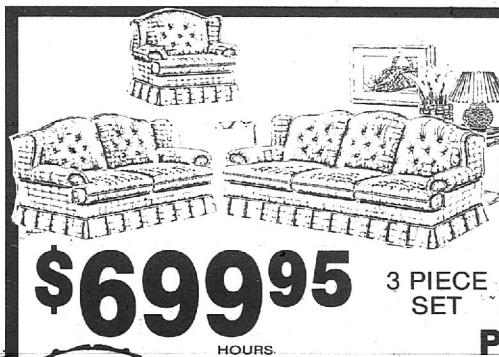
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## District 9 to ask IDOT for fence at crossing

By Nicole Vaughn  
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — School Superintendent Jim Walsmley says something has to be done to alleviate the danger of crossing Nameoki Road at Jill Avenue.

Almost two weeks ago, Elizabeth Mejia, 64, was killed and her son, Paul Mejia, 22, was seriously injured when they were struck by an automobile in the vicinity of the crosswalk there. No charges have been filed against the driver.

The intersection has been a trouble spot for some time. Students from the high school cross Nameoki Road regularly during lunch hours. The district is currently exploring the possibility of closing the campus to departures except at the end of the school day.

A request was sent to the Illinois Department of Transportation during the fall, seeking construction of a pedestrian overpass at that intersection. The project was led by board member and Granite City Police Officer Roy Koberna.

IDOT denied the request, saying it would be more pressing to put a button on the light at the crosswalk. At that time Koberna voiced concern about the possibility of a serious accident.

"I hate to see someone get hurt to make them do some-

thing," Koberna said last fall. "It looks like that's what it will take."

Shaken by the fatal accident, District 9 officials said they are hoping that IDOT will take note.

"Following this accident I hope maybe they (IDOT) will see that it's not just a matter of immature students who don't pay the bill," Walsmley said at Tuesday night's school board meeting. "I now want them to consider putting a decent-looking 4-foot high fence in front of Coddington Avenue High and the school." Walsmley said his intention would be for IDOT to fund the fence.

Walsmley said he realized that with a 4-foot fence there would still be students who would jump over it.

"There are some who will but it will be with enough difficulty to discourage others," Walsmley said.

He said the 4-foot height would be high enough to discourage the students but low enough to not detract from the looks of the grounds.

"There are students who cross all over that three-block area," Walsmley said, mentioning problems on Madison Avenue. "The situation facing you when you come down that way (Madison Avenue) in an automobile is enough to scare you to death."

## Washington School rezoning withdrawn

GRANITE CITY — The old Washington School building will not be rezoned.

Dan Ainge, owner of the property, sent the City Council a letter withdrawing the request for rezoning from R-3 residential to M-3 warehouse industrial.

The council was scheduled to vote on the request Tuesday night.

A hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission last week ended up sending the

request to the council without recommendation when a vote of six members of the commission present voted in a tie.

Although the request was withdrawn, St. Ward Alderman Lloyd Bailey placed a petition opposing the rezoning on file.

"You all sent out 38 registered letters to residents," Bailey said. "These petitions opposing it contain the signatures of all 38 people you sent the letters to."

Registration limited to 12 participants will begin Monday, Feb. 27, at the Wilson Park Office, 877-3049. Classes begin March 6. Wake Barber, recreation supervisor, said.

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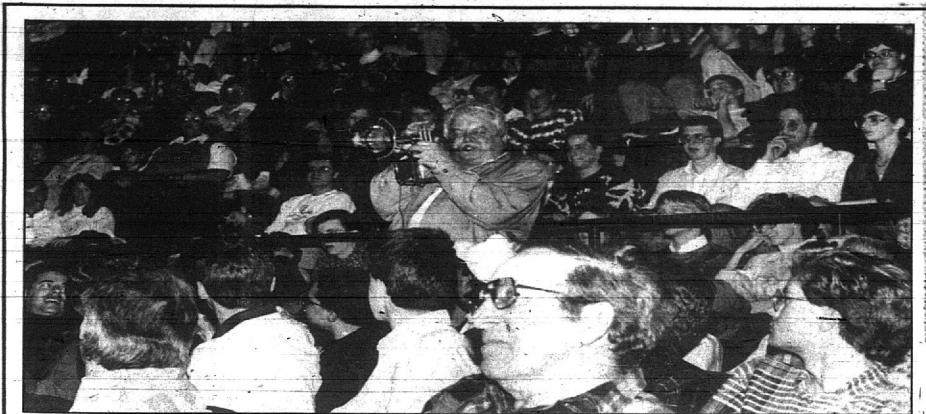


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**JAZZ, GRANITE CITY STYLE:** Jazz and trumpet great Maynard Ferguson takes his jazz style to the capacity audience in the Granite City High School auditorium

Tuesday night. His appearance was sponsored by the Band Parents and Band.

(Photo by Chris Hill)

## Adult exercise class scheduled

The Granite City Park District is again offering an adult exercise class for individuals who want to improve their fitness but do not want to enroll in a high-level aerobic class.

Music from the '30s, '40s and '50s accompanies the exercise program, which begins from a sitting position and finishes with a dance.

The adult exercise class will be held from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at the Bryant Recreation Center. Cost of the program is \$7.50 for residents and \$17.50 for non-residents.

Registration limited to 12 participants will begin Monday, Feb. 27, at the Wilson Park Office, 877-3049. Classes begin March 6. Wake Barber, recreation supervisor, said.

## Lenten services

Young people of Hope Lutheran Church at 3715 Leavenworth Ave. are sponsoring a Wednesday evening Lenten service at 6 p.m. each week during Lent.

The project is for the purpose of raising funds for a youth trip during the summer to attend the 1989 National Lutheran Youth Gathering. Adult supervisors include Doug and Sarah Rapp and Gary and Carlene Whitehead.

Midweek Lenten worship services are held on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. The community is invited to the suppers and the worship services.

During Holy Week, services will be March 23, Maundy Thursday, and March 24, Good Friday, both at 7:30 p.m.

## Gateway plans scholarships

The Gateway Business and Professional Women's Organization is seeking candidates interested in furthering their education and will present two scholarships to selected recipients at the March dinner meeting, said Ruth Nicolas, chairman of the Foundation Committee.

Completed applications must be returned to the chairman no later than March 15.

Members and non-members may obtain an application by calling Mrs. Nicolas at 876-3383 or a committee member, Debbie Geggus at 877-6385 or LaVelle Stephens at 876-5684.

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# An Editorial

## 'Yes' vote on referendum essential this Tuesday

To assure readers access to all viewpoints on Tuesday's flood protection election, we have included "pro" and "con" articles on today's front page. But we want to make it clear where we stand: We strongly urge a "Yes" vote.

The story, quoting a Granite Citian, makes this point as: "The levee district's history includes financial waste, corruption, hiring; increasing the tax rate might lead to future abuses; if there had been funds to rehabilitate a river floodgate, it might not have broken in 1986, flooding part of East St. Louis and causing one death; and there has been a decrease in the assessed value of East St. Louis, which has less population and fewer industries than it had years ago."

Our response: The shrinking of the assessment base has not shifted the burden to Quad Cities; the rate has remained virtually the same for many years. But the shrinking base reduces the district's income, preventing it from keeping pace with maintenance needs. That is why it is so essential that voters say "Yes" to using \$25 million worth of total outside help to go with the little more than \$1 million in local funds

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that would be raised in each of the next five years.

District taxpayers are not taking on the "whole burden." That would happen only if we make the mistake of rejecting this bargain, a mistake that would be fatal to our hometown's future.

Supporters of the plan are accused of using "scare tactics" to get a majority vote. We believe that is not a valid reason. The 1973 flood covered all of Cloud Island and menaced the Tri-City Port and a number of residential areas; it flowed downhill, not uphill. The levee did not fail, but it was weakened and saturated. Contin-

ued rainfall could have led to tragedy.

In addition to physical hazards to people and homes, voters need to consider their economic outlook. Home values, jobs, schools — all are endangered, as verified by the Army Corps of Engineers and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Abuses are not a valid issue. The Engineers Corps would perform or contract for all the work. The Corps' annual installation of deep wells. Later maintenance work done locally would be closely monitored by state waterway engineers.

We disagree that the mighty river's pressure is slight; its explosive force blew a

massive gate a vast distance. Also, dredging of channels and ditches is not a minor item; when they are clogged, lives and property are in peril.

And the likelihood of flooding — if there is no restoration of the levee-pump-canal network — should not be minimized; conservative flood maps show clearly that major portions of the Quad City, Cahokia and East St. Louis areas could find themselves under water.

We don't want to become another Valmeyer, where new buildings must have 14-foot stilts or floor-through openings. We don't want to see home mortgages barred here. We don't want to banish industries and prosperity.

We will gladly work with any and all for reforms that might further improve district operations and boundaries; but the offer of federal funds cannot wait for "perfection." It's now or never.

Everyone, including the Granite Citian, concedes that the proposed repair work needs to be done. We need to do the repairs, and in a way we can easily afford, by voting "Yes" on Tuesday.

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## Eagles scene of Pack 15 derby

Pack 15, sponsored by Eagles Aerie 1126, held its annual Wood Derby at the Eagles Hall on Jan. 19. Cubmaster Rick Ahlers and Den 4 to present the colors. Ahlers than had Pie Stokes lead the pack in the Pinewood Derby song.

Ahlers introduced the judges for the race, Karl Markovich, Scoutmaster for Troop 15, and LeRoy Stark, member of the committee of Troop 15. The starter was Larry Hahn Jr., senior patrol leader of Troop 15.

Best appearance car for Tiger Cubs was David Doolen.

Other winners were:

Tiger, first place, Mark Moulton; second, Christopher French; third, Doolen.

Seven-year-old best appearance car was Keith

Harris; first place, Keith Harris; second, Corey Simpson; and third, Ross Sedlacek.

Eight-year-old best appearance car was Matt Vane, first place, Matt Monoster; second, Justin Brinkley; third, John Wilson.

Nine-year-old best appearance car was Chris Stephens; first place, Douglas Mueller; second, Chris Zimmer; third, Jason Ferguson.

Ten-year-old best appearance car was Bobby Ellis; first place, Bobby Willis; second, Cale Brinkley.

Leader of the Pack was Douglas Mueller of Den 7. Cubmaster Ahlers presented first-, second- and third-place ribbons to the winners and participation awards. Den 4 received colors. Refreshments were served.

## Cubs Scouts hold Knights banquet

Cub Pack 28, sponsored by State Farm Insurance agent Charlotte Charbonnier, recently held its annual Blue and Gold Banquet at the Granite City Town Hall using the theme "Knights of the Roundtable."

An invocation was offered by Rick Singleton.

Receiving Webelos activity badges for artist were: Jeff and Greg Hoenig, Nicholas Thomas, Jeff Logsdon, Jeremy Gutierrez, Jeremy McKinney, and Michael Koenig.

In an awards ceremony, Cubmaster Pat Foote, assisted by Wyatt, presented Cub Scout Sports Belt loops to Jason Koenig for swimming and Nathan Bain for baseball.

Skating Table Tennis Belt loops went to Bain, Philip Huniak, Steven Schroeder, Tim Shleton and Chris Singleton. Jonas Cathey received a Skating Belt Loop.

Receiving gold arrows were Shelton, Schroeder, Huniak, Singleton, Bain and Jason Koenig. Shelton and Schroeder each received one silver arrow while Koenig received three silver arrows.

Appreciation certificates were presented to den leaders: Robin Stone, Robin Mason, Shirley Byrd, Wyatt, Cindy Schroeder, Marie McKinney; Assistant Cubmasters Foote and Ron Hoenig; den aide Carrie McKinney; den chiefs: Rich Thomas and Diane Logsdon; den mothers: Michelle McKinney; Scouting Coordinator Patti Thomas; Parkview School Principal Nancy Marti; pack sponsor Charbonnier; Parkview School custodians; and parents, Mike Gutierrez, Jack Whitehead, Jean Whitehead, J. Wayne and Cox and Jeff Hoenig.

Pack 28's next event will be held March 4 at the Belleville Area College Granite City Campus.

## Homemakers donate to causes

Members of the Homemakers of the Calvary Baptist Church met in the home of Emma Hessler.

Members decided to give \$25 to the Annie Armstrong Easter offering, and \$10 to the association for the school preparation project.

Two upcoming events are a trip to Old St. Charles on May 13, and on June 5, a ride and dinner at the Charles River boat.

Refreshments were served by the hostess to President Ruth Dagon, Secretary Norma Smith, Treasurer Janice Stanton, Henrietta Graham, Emilie Hapopian, Wilma Herring, Dorothy Boast, Shirley Byrd, Shirley Prokes, Kay Andersen, Bernice Boyer, Edna Stagner, Ilene Badgett, Donna Bryant, Shirley Worster and Tina Lyons.

Badgett, the teacher, gave a devotional on love. \*\*\*

Linda Kay Watson celebrated her 10th birthday at McDonald's on Feb. 13, with a Sunday afternoon with housemates Stephanie Askew in charge of games and refreshments.

Friends attending were: April Wiechert, Bobbi Oller, Regina Hause, Linda Watson, Linda Hale, Kirk Cunge, Andy Cuden-rub, Stacey Garcia, John Fontana.

The World Day of Prayer will be held at the First Congregational Church at 7 p.m. on March 2.

Schnucks dinner party will be April 26 at the Nameoki Methodist Church at 6:30 p.m. Tickets

are \$3 and can be bought from any member or Alta Stewart.

Every Member Busy (EMB) Circle is planning a rummage sale, with proceeds to go to the church renovation fund.

Other members present were Dorothy Wallace, Fern Gieselman, Dorothy Ashford and Dorothy Sennett. Hostesses for the March meeting will be Diane Baker and Phyllis Whitehead. \*\*\*

The Baptist Women met Wednesday at the Calvary Baptist Church, with President Nancy Hostmeyer opening with a prayer.

Members decided to donate \$15 to the school preparation project to be held in August. Mission Action Chairman Ida Kilmer reported that Care Kits were distributed to the New Life Evangelical Center.

Other members present were Grace Cruse, Lucy Stewart, Pauline Hall, Ruth Moser, Dalphine Kidner, Kay Andersen, Dorothy Boatright, Rebecca Hostmeyer and Tommy Allard. \*\*\*

Jeffery Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Miller, is recuperating at home following an emergency appendectomy at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in St. Louis.

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**MESD 'Yes'**

(Continued from Page 1A) arized houses, Wilkes said damage is "theoretically possible, but unlikely." In the Quad City area, industry formerly pumped large quantities of water from the ground, lowering the water table with no apparent damage to surface structures, he said.

Conversely, he said, since industry has decreased its pumping of groundwater, high ground-water levels have caused an average of \$3 million damage to sewer lines and home basements

annually.

"We feel quite confident that damage being caused by high groundwater is greater than any side effects from low groundwater," he said.

Some doubters have said there is no damage from the river, and that the only problem is local flooding by runoff water from the bluffs. Wilkes said, "That (no actual threat) is not true. If levees are not properly maintained, they lose their integrity."

Moreover, he said, high river levels increase underground water pressure, causing seepage into basements and wells stored in a series of relief wells. Wilkes said that of 105 relief wells inspected by the Corps, 97 need repairs and seven need to be replaced.

The bill for that portion of the project is about \$900,000, he said.

It is fair for floodplain residents to have to react to runoff water from a wider area? MESD Director Shang Greathouse said,

"I can't change the boundary lines of the district and I sure can't hold the water up there (atop the bluffs)."

The only way you can get people into the district is if they vote themselves in by referendum," he said. "A lot of water comes from the bluffs, 40 miles away. I can't make them pay, either." He said some questions need to be addressed at a later date, perhaps by the Illinois Legislature.

Was the MESD incompetent in

not realizing that an East St. Louis pumping station failed in the October 1986 flood there? Greathouse said the particular floodgate that failed was "about number 12 on a priority list" after an inspection by the Corps of Engineers in 1985.

floodgate "would not have been readily apparent from a visual inspection."

One person revived an old idea, saying that a better flood control method than a system of deep wells might be a canal proposed by the Corps of Engineers and B. Ogle. The canal would have run from the bluffs to the river.

Wilkes said the Corps had determined that the canal idea was "not feasible." He couldn't remember if that finding had a cost basis or an engineering basis."

**MESD 'No'**

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"This has been an economic disaster in the East St. Louis area," Madison County, the Tri-Cities area, is being asked to pay the price. I don't see why we should have to shoulder that responsibility."

Bieneck said projects to be partly funded by the tax increase are basically tied to work on canals that drain runoff water from the bluff area. Collinsville, Edwardsville, Fairview Heights, etc. — to the Mississippi River.

"Taking care of that runoff, that's a drainage basin problem not confined to the levee district.

They're taking a short cut — have the district taxpayers take on the financial burden to solving the whole problem," Bieneck said.

"There is no question of needing what the Corps of Engineers says needs to be done," he said. "I think (Jim) Bieneck and his scare tactics and threat of the engineers declaring us an unprotected flood zone, at least half the responsibility for our protection belongs to the Corps of Engineers and its levees at Chain of Rocks."

Bieneck said he worked on the Chain of Rocks Canal levee right after he got out of school and there has been no significant

change in the threat of flood since 1984.

"Because of those levees, we've had no real threat from high water for 40 years," Bieneck said. "No flood has gone as high as the record and that levee is at least 10 feet higher than any flood in recorded 10 feet higher than the record flood of 1844. During the flood of 1973-75, there was a lot of levee left."

"Water is not going to spread from St. Clair to Madison. It's not likely the physical laws will be repealed to make water run up hill."

He said he thought the Corps of Engineers is probably talking about ponding and local flooding

caused by malfunctions in the drainage system; those malfunctions, he said, could be prevented by using a professional rather than layman's approach to the problems of the MESD.

He said no danger of flooding from the bluffs is likely, he said. "It's just impossible. It would take an earthquake combined with a river at flood stage and torrential rains to get this area to flood."

Bieneck said there is a problem with high groundwater in the area, but that deep wells, as proposed in the project, may not be the answer.

During the drought last summer, he said, his chimney

cracked because the groundwater dropped; he doubted the Corps of Engineers had properly studied that effect drastically lowered groundwater would have an area building foundations and residential wells."

"It's not engineering solution," he said. "But it could be overkill. I would like to see it approached with more caution and less politics."

He said a case proposed by former state Rep. B. Ogle was a more practical solution.

Bieneck said he has been an observer of the area's political scene for a long time and that the problems of the MESD go back 30 years.

**Obituaries****Trobaugh**

Kevin K. Trobaugh, 34, of Granite City died at 9:08 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, 1989, in the emergency room at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, following complications in a two-car crash at Illinois 3 and West Pontoon Road. A related story appears elsewhere in this issue.

Born July 4, 1954, Granite City, Mr. Trobaugh was a lifelong resident. He was employed by McDonald's Donut, where he worked as a quality assurance supervisor for three years. He was of the Pentecostal faith.

Survivors include his wife, Dona; a brother, Dan; a sister, Edwardsville; two brothers, Dan, Trobaugh, Edwardsville and Jerry Trobaugh of Granite City; and one sister, Debra Janco of Florissant.

Visitation was held Friday evening at Irwin Chapel Funeral Home. Graveside services were conducted Saturday by the Rev. Henry Crippen. Burial was at Sunnyside Cemetery in Sorento. Memorials to the American Cancer Society have been suggested.

**Bergschneider**

Theodore F. Bergschneider, 82, of the Edwardsville rural area died at 5 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, 1989, at Eden Village Care Center in Edwardsville.

He was born Dec. 26, 1906, in Morrisonville, Ill., and lived in Edwardsville his entire life. A self-employed auto mechanic, he was a member of the National Rifle Association and St. Jerome Catholic Church in Troy.

Preceding him in death was his wife, the former Ruth Fitzgerald, in 1962.

Survivors include one son, John Bergschneider of Edwardsville; one daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Nichols of Collinsville; one brother, Anthony Raymond Bergschneider of Granite City; one sister, Ruth Bridges of Granite City; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held today (Sunday) after 4 p.m. at Laughlin Funeral Home, 205 Edwardsville Road, Troy, where funeral services will be conducted Monday at 11 a.m. by the Rev. John Kiffmeyer. Burial will be at Sunnyside Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Eden Village Care Center in Edwardsville.

**Lottery**

Results of the Illinois State Lottery were:

Thursday, Feb. 23: 509  
Pick 4 Game: 3574  
Friday, Feb. 24: 735  
Pick 4 Game: 0701  
Cash-5 Game: 10 11 13 20 30

**Coerver**

Linda A. (Jefferies) Coerver, 69, of Edwardsville died at 1:35 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, 1989, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City. She had been ill for several months.

Born Oct. 6, 1919, in Treherber, United Kingdom, she had lived in Edwardsville for 31 years. She was employed by Armour Packing Co., National City for 25 years prior to retirement. Her husband, Mr. (Adrian) Copeland, both of Granite City; four brothers, Leonard, Lionel, Victor and Vivian Jefferies, all of England; two sisters, Mrs. John (Lena) Howells of Edwardsville and Evelyn Stubbs of Illinois; 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Mater Funeral Home, Edwardsville, with the Rev. Charles Dahlby officiating. Burial was at Sunnyside Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

**Deaths reported****to local relative**

A nephew and a sister of a Granite City woman have died in recent days.

Anna Michels received word of the death of Max Brutscher, 43, of Munich, Germany. He was killed in an automobile accident Feb. 6.

Eight days later, Brutscher's mother, Mathilde Brutscher of Munich, died of a heart attack. She was 81.

The deceased are also respectively the cousin and the aunt of Josephine Uram of Granite City, the daughter of Mrs. Michels.

Burial was in Munich, Uram said.

**• Crash**

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State of the auto accident could not confirm that.

Landman also testified that Morrison said Stadler had a tendency to become preoccupied with driving. He would sit while driving. Stadler might reach down to retrieve a fallen object.

"All we can determine is that the driver became preoccupied with driving," he said. Landman said, "His eyes left the road, he traveled over the median and struck the other vehicle."

Madison County Coroner Dallas Burke said alcohol and drug tests done on both Stadler and Morrison were negative.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lula Mae Davis; a godson, Desi F. Piondexter; one brother, Edmond Davis of Indianapolis; and one sister, Mrs. Louise Landers of Clarksville, Tenn.

Wake and funeral services were held on Wednesday night at Germania German Baptist Church, Eagle Park, with the Rev. Rodney Howlett, pastor, officiating. Burial took place Thursday morning at Sunset Gardens of Memory in Millstadt. Officer Funeral Home, in Millstadt, Officer Funeral Home, East St. Louis, was in charge.

We are sorry to inform that

In this week's Home Sale circular, we advertised a 7-pc. porcelain-steel dishwasher for \$139.95 on page 17. Due to the manufacturer's inability to ship sufficient quantities, this set may not be available until early in the week. Rain checks will be issued to our customers.

On page 18 we advertised Action Pack Stereo cassette tape. The price and information were switched. The price of the Action Pack battery is \$19.95. The price of the Stereo Pack is \$69.95.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause you.

On page 18 we advertised a Panasonic dual cassette AM/FM compact stereo recorder, Model SGT-100, for \$149.95. Due to the manufacturer's inability to ship, we will be substituting the Panasonic Model SGT100, with dimensions 10" x 7" x 10".

We regret any inconvenience this may cause you.

On page 18 we advertised a Venture

**• Murder**

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Johnnie, following Albert Johnson's arrest.

Death was determined to have

been from a gunshot wound, but

the victim was not positively

identified until Nov. 2, 1988.

Smith said information was developed from a source, leading the DCI to request a photograph of Levell Johnson. The resemblance between the photo and a

sketch made by a State Police artist was "very close," Smith said.

Identification was further verified by the State Police crime lab.

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# Brownies hold annual party

Brownie Troop 338 at Harris School in Madison held its annual Valentine's Day party on Feb. 13.

The meeting was opened with a flag ceremony with Tina Alonso, a flag bearer. Rebekah Emery and Amber Sipes were color guards and Kara Rupeinski was caller.

A homemade valentine contest was held. The Scouts made valentines at home, which they brought back during the party to be judged. First place went to Kim Snell for prettiest valentine; second place, Kara Rupeinski; third, Tammy Potts, craziest valentine.

Participation prizes were given to Rebekah Emery, Jessica Snider, Andrea Boyer, Carrie Potts, Amber Sipes, Rita and Reeme Turner, Kara and Kristen Rupcinski, Ja'Nell Hollis, Abney and Emily.

The Scouts then played relay races and exchanged valentines.

Festival of Giving patches were given to Boyer and Kara. Crowned Queen and king was Valentine's Day. Hostesses for the evening were Sandy Barnett and Donna Dorris.

The girls were then served hot dogs, chips, cookies and cupcakes.

Also attending were: Patricia Snider, Jeffery Potts, Damon Rupcinski, Breanne Grim, co-leader Cathy Rupcinski and leader Anna Potts.

Madison Seniors held a Valentine's Day party on Feb. 16 at the Retirement Center. Crowned queen and king was Linda Ostree and Dominic Manciarino.

President Genevieve McClure welcomed back members who

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had been on the sick list: Eva Barry, Thelma Skelly, Rosina Mangiaracino, Albert Timko and George Gocheff. She also announced Mildred Shifter had been a patient at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and was now at the center.

An invitation to be guests was received from the Venice-Madison American Legion Post 307 for its annual installation dinner and dance to be held on March 4.

A chicken dinner prepared by Gail Clegg was served at the event. Sue Blattner reported on Senior Citizen Day to be held at Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville on March 20. Entertainment was taken for lunch.

An afternoon of bingo and cards followed. \*\*\*

The regular meeting of the Madison-Jordan Service Club was held on Feb. 14.

The theme for the evening was Valentine's Day. Hostesses for the evening were Sandy Barnett and Donna Dorris.

The tables were decorated with hearts and streamers of red and white. Valentines were given to everyone.

Frucht punch and cake were served, along with a cheese and chili dip with taco chips.

A motion was made to help with operations. Snow Flake, a dog and a hamster were present.

Tickets were given out for the group's benefit drawing for a family in need. The prize will be

\$100 worth in groceries to be given away March 14.

A \$50 drawing was won by Carla Voloski.

Sustaining members were Mary Moore, Irene Orr, Deloyce Rhine and Billie Bosworth.

Active members were Gert Ashford, Barnett, Debbie Dillon, Hoover, Jean Kostencki, Jackie Snell, Carla Voloski, Charlene Voloski-Turley and Donna Woodard.

Next month's theme is a "haat" provided by the sustaining members. Dress will reflect the occasion. \*\*\*

GILK Retirees met on Feb. 16 at Jerry's Cafeteria for lunch. Afterwards an afternoon of cards was played at the home of Juanita Hooper.

Welcomed as a new member was Ida Dant. Others attending were Van Stuart, Violet Holder, Freda Hicks, Mary Moore, Freda Douch, Nellie Alley, Helen Knezevich, Jane Duncan and Doris Wilson, from Iberia, Mo.

The Bethany Class of First Baptist Church in Madison held its meeting on Feb. 13 in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Hostesses were Naomi James and Linda Fink.

President Dolores Gasho conducted the business, with Mary Link opening with prayer.

The president led members in the "Aim, Motto and Scripture." George Hicks, Mary Moore and Gert Ashford, \*\*\*

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Hostesses for March will be Nora Birtley and Dolores Gasho.

The doors were closed with prayer by Pansy Gause.

Lunch was served to Vesta Williams, Bernice Whitten and Gertie Ashford. \*\*\*

The Madison Minerva Club met on Feb. 9 at the home of Donna Dorris, with Irene Orr as

co-hostess. President Nancy Clotfelter conducted the meeting.

It was decided by members responding to "What I want for Valentine's Day."

Officers for 1989 will be: president, Nancy Clotfelter; vice president, Linda Dorris; treasurer, Mary Moore; secretary, Karen Purkape.

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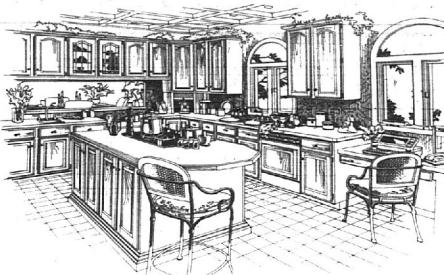
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# Assumption ends Devils' season

By Dave Whaley  
Executive sports editor

**COLUMBIA** — The end of one era prevented the end of another one on Friday. The late 1970s winner of the local Class A boys basketball regional isn't Madison or Venice. The Red Devils' three-year reign was usurped by bigger East St. Louis assumption, 74-63, in the championship game of the Columbia Regional.

The Pioneers (20-7) will move on to the regional in the semifinals of the Vandals Sectional on Wednesday. In the process of winning the first regional in the school's history, Assumption has had a superb run alive for at least a few more days. The high school is closing at the end of the year.

"This was history," said Pioneer coach Ron Scott. "We used the closing of the school as motivation all year. We came in at halftime and we talked about it then. We were up by eight and

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VENICE: Jackson 25 (1 3-pointer), Clappett 10, Sapp 6, King 4, Hafford 9, Johnson 6, Parnam 11 (3-pointers), Harmon 9, FG-25/49 (5 3-pointers), FT-6/10, PF-23.

we had 16 minutes to play. We didn't want it to be the last 16 minutes in school history."

It wasn't. The Pioneers' all-around effort, led by senior forward Monteff Dixon, Dixon led the Pioneers with 20 points and did a terrific defensive job on Ian Clappett, the Devils' premier three-point marksman. Clappett got two late three-pointers after the game was decided to finish with 10 points.

"My job was to let Clappett get the ball," Dixon said. "He can't shoot it if he doesn't have it."

In the end, senior Daryl Jack-

## Devils struggle in semifinals

**COLUMBIA** — The Devils' 68-57 win over Columbia in Thursday's regional semifinal demonstrated that Venice was in need of a tune-up before Friday's championship game.

Venice survived a sharpshooting Eagle team for its 20th win of the season, but it was far from a satisfying performance.

"The team just doesn't get up for teams like this," assistant coach Rich Everardi said.

The Eagles, who finished at 12-16, were up by 10 at 60-50 with six seconds left, but the Devils were able to come up with two key offensive rebounds after missed free throws. Erwin Clappett, who had 18 points, led Venice, clinched it with a layup with 18 seconds left after Hossie King had blocked a shot.

Clappett had four three-pointers, but Columbia made eight three-pointers, five by sophomore Jeff Prosser — and 60 percent from the field to

stay in the game all the way. And the Devils were only 11 of 20 from the free-throw line.

East St. Louis Assumption also won its 20th game in the semifinals Thursday, breaking away in the second half for an 86-63 win over Lebanon (13-14). The Pioneers led only 30-24 at the half and scored 50 points in the second half, 33 in the fourth quarter. Ian Stanback had 22 points while Ronald Scott, Monteff Dixon, Mark Burton and Mike Harmon all joined him in double figures. Steve Ogden led Lebanon with 17 points.

—Dave Whaley

son was the only Venice player who was involved in the offense all night. Jackson finished his high school career with a 100 percent effort, but no other Devil other than Clappett was in double figures.

"Daryl tried to do it all," said Venice coach Ron Scott. "Hossie (King) didn't get into it until the fourth quarter and Clappett didn't get into it at all. Deves (Parram) is our scorer of the team, but he couldn't get them done."

The Devils had won two of their previous meetings with the Pioneers this year, but Assumption got a big lift from senior forward Ronald Scott, who missed the game at Venice on Jan. 27 due to grades. Scott powered inside for 17 points on Friday.

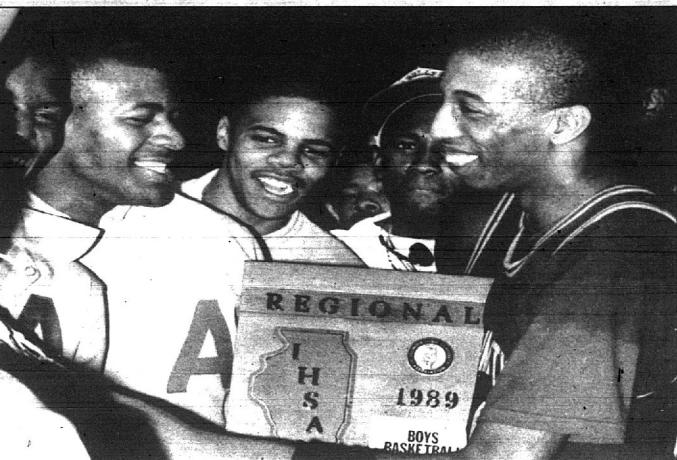
day while guard Malcolm Hill matched Dixon with 20.

"Scott just killed us down low," said Harris.

"When Monteff Scott came through, we just had too many big men for Venice," said Dixon. "We had Ian (Stanback) and myself, and we had Hossie and Hossie. But when Scott got going, they didn't have anyone left to guard him."

Stanback had only 10 points, but six of them were in the first quarter, as the Pioneers jumped quickly out of the gate. They led 4-0, then broke a 4-4 tie with 10 straight points to take the lead for good at 14-4 at the end of the first quarter.

The Devils cut the gap to 24-19 on Parram's three-pointer in the second quarter, but the Pioneers



THE ASSUMPTION PIONEERS, including star forward Monteff Dixon (far right) are all smiles after capturing the Columbia Class A Regional plaque on Friday with their 74-63 victory over Venice.

scored to give Assumption an 11-point lead early in the final period. The Devils never got closer than nine after that.

"I told them just to keep picking up on defense and running our offense, but we made a couple of bad mistakes and took some shots," said Harris.

The Pioneers were in foul trouble, with Dixon and Stanback each getting his fourth foul

early in the fourth quarter. But it was King who ended up fouling out while Dixon and Stanback were around for the end.

The Pioneers wrote the prediction to Venice's season by sinking 19 of 23 free throws in the fourth quarter. Assumption was up 19 of 32 from the foul line, while the Devils went to the foul line only 10 times, making nine.

## Regionals

### Class A

**At Columbia** Tuesday, Feb. 21

Columbia 68, Lovejoy 57

**Wednesday, Feb. 22**

East St. Louis Assumption 97, Dupe 58

Lebanon 62, MADISON 67

**Thursday, Feb. 23**

VENICE 63, East St. Louis Assumption 86, Lebanon 63

**Friday, Feb. 24**

East St. Louis Assumption 74, VENICE 63

**At Staunton** Monday, Feb. 20

Staunton 64, Galesburg 52

**Tuesday, Feb. 21**

Greenville 63, Alton Marquette 66 (OT)

Bunker Hill 62, Marion 62

**Wednesday, Feb. 22**

Weston 87, Staunton 53

**Greenville 62, Bunker Hill 41**

**Friday, Feb. 24**

Weston 62, Greenville 59

**At Litchfield** Tuesday, Feb. 21

Litchfield 74, Olive 70

**Wednesday, Feb. 22**

Litchfield 63, Raymond Lincolnwood 51

Morrisonville 79, West 52

**Thursday, Feb. 23**

Gillespie 77, Hillsboro 48

Litchfield 66, Litchfield 58

**Friday, Feb. 24**

Gillespie 66, Litchfield 58

**At Princeton** Monday, Feb. 20

Brownstown 79, Parma (Latrobe) 82

Mulberry Grove 59, Parma 56

Vandalia 75, Kimball-Alma 57

**Wednesday, Feb. 22**

Patoka 86, 6, Princeton 80

**Thursday, Feb. 23**

Mulberry Grove 53, Vandalia 50

**Friday, Feb. 24**

Patoka 72, Mulberry Grove 62

**Vandalia Sectional** Tuesday, Feb. 25

Game 1: Galesburg vs. Patoka, 7:30 p.m.

**At Bethalto** Tuesday, Feb. 28

Game 1: Granite City 17-18 vs. East St. Louis Lincolnwood 14-13

**Wednesday, March 1**

Game 2: East St. Louis (13-13) vs. Cabotka (10-17), 8 p.m.

**Friday, March 3**

Game 1: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 7:30 p.m.

**At Belleville East** Tuesday, Feb. 28

Game 1: Belleville Althoff (13-14) vs. Belleville West 10-14, 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 1**

Game 2: Collinsville 17-17 vs. Belleville East (10-13), 7:30 p.m.

**Friday, March 3**

Game 1: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 7:30 p.m.

**At Edwardsville** Tuesday, Feb. 28

Game 1: Highland (12-13) vs. Roxana (2-19), 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 1**

Game 2: Edwardsville (18-17) vs. Tread (11-14), 7:30 p.m.

**Friday, March 3**

Game 1: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 7:30 p.m.

Winners advance to Collinsville Sectional on March 10.

**No success for area teams at state**

For the third straight year,

the Comanches met

no success at the Illinois

Class AA team wrestling tourna-

ment.

The Comanches suffered their

third consecutive loss of the year,

32-24, Chicago Marist, in the

quarterfinals on Tuesday. The

Comanches lost in the quarter-

finals of the past two sea-

sons as well.

Chokoa got wins from Abby

Myers (119 pounds), Lance Tay-

lor (130), Darnell Thomas (160),

Fred Garrett (171), Jon Drake

(189) and Bam Hurd (275), but it

wasn't enough as Marist won to

face New Lenox Providence

(26-2) on Saturday's semifinals.

In girls basketball, the Jersey-

ville Panthers ended their sea-

son at 28-2 with an 84-42 loss to

Immaculate Heart of Mary in the

Class AA quarterfinals at Champaign on Thursday.

Kris McFees (119 pounds) and

Illinois Chicago raised its record

to 29-2. The Panthers, who elimi-

nated Granite City in the sec-

tionals, shot only 24 percent in

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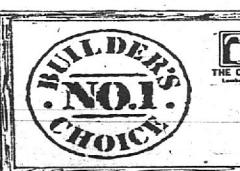
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# Bunco Club enjoys session

Members of the Mitchell Bunco Club met in the home of Karen Orr of Granite City for lunch. Following lunch, the women enjoyed the afternoon playing Bunco.

Present besides Orr were Dorothy Clark, Mary Smith, Norma Jean Bennett, Alice Prewit, Mary McKinnon, July Holoma, Jeri Schieb and Barbara Fulmer.

Schieb will host the March meeting at her home at 4929 Mueller Ave. \*\*\*

Gary Busby of Vail, Colorado, spent two days with his parents, Edie and Jewel Busby of 611 Barkley Avenue in mid-February. Busby is employed by Continental Airlines in Vail and has not been back home in two years.

Amy Schillinger, daughter of Dave and Kathy Schillinger, celebrated her 11th birthday Jan. 28.

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By Maxine Duniphan  
931-2714



She was home with an overnight guest at the home of her aunt, Eddie Schillinger, on Bluebird Lane. Others attending were Christi Castle, Melinda Colbert, Lori Fernandez, Kenly Johnson, Anna McDowell, Amanda Timmons, Jamie Wallace and Amy Worthen. \*\*\*

Cub Scouts from Pack 1, Den 2, toured McDonald's Restaurant on Feb. 7. Scouts participating were Christopher Humphries, Chuck Morris, Adam Schillinger, Chris Tindall and Stephen Worley. \*\*\*

First-grade students, Charlene Bahr and Emily Richardson and sixth-grade students, Matt Krause and Jim Ross, have been selected by Learning Center instructor, Mrs. Terry Lingnau as "Students of the Week" at Mitchell School.

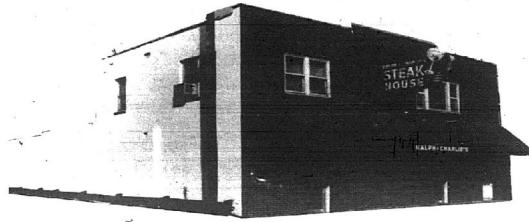
The students were congratulated as being students who set good examples for others. \*\*\*

DARE (Drug Abuse Resis-

tance Education), a prevention program aimed at equipping young people with the skills to resist peer pressure to experiment with and use harmful drugs, began this week in sixth-grade classes at Mitchell School. Sixth-grade students at three other Granite City elementary schools will be introduced to the program this year, with the goal being that all fifth-grade students in Granite City being in the program in 1989-90.

Learning to say "No" and not feeling compelled to go along with the crowd is the essence of the new anti-drug program. The program is a cooperative effort among the Illinois State Police, local law enforcement agencies, the Illinois State Board of Education, and the Illinois Department of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse.

Resistance education focuses on four areas: providing accurate information about alcohol and drugs; teaching students decision-making skills; showing them how to resist peer pressure; and giving them ideas for alternatives to drug use.



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Annexation finalized (7/24/86)

Ground broken for Northgate buildings (8/27/86)

Ceremonies slated for Granite City Hall (9/29/86)

Mayor announces City Pride program (1/87)

Improvements show pride in city (1/87)

Contract awarded for 100 new housing units (9/15/88)

Council OK's auto center financing (11/3/88)

Hotel predicted for Army Center (11/16/88)

American Steel Foundries fire returns (11/20/88)

Army housing called economic boost (11/23/88)

Granite City Steel getting new continuous caster (11/27/88)

City Golf Course Complex Possible (12/1/88)

Library dedicates new permanent branch (12/14/88)

Granite City Steel to start caster construction (11/1/89)

Fingers crossed city awaits final OK from Wal-Mart (11/19/89)

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**GRANITE CITY DEMOCRAT PRECINCT COMMITTEEMEN  
UNANIMOUSLY ENDORSE  
METRO-EAST SANITARY DISTRICT  
FLOOD PROTECTION QUESTION**

At the regular organization meeting on February 15, 1989, the elected Democrat Precinct Committeemen of Granite City endorsed by unanimous vote the

## METRO-EAST SANITARY DISTRICT FLOOD PROTECTION QUESTION

which will be decided in a consolidated election on February 28 in communities throughout the Metro East region. The organization took action to support this referendum in order to:

- Secure more than \$23,000,000 in federal and state grants to renew the flood protection system and install groundwater control facilities in our region;
- Stimulate the regional economy with a job-creating \$31,000,000 public works project that will invite the location of businesses and industry here in the future;
- Avert the threat of disastrous river flooding which the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has said may result from deterioration of our flood protection system;
- Prevent the imposition of flood insurance costs which would become an economic hardship on our citizens;
- Prevent the imposition of Federal Emergency Management Agency unprotected floodplain regulations, which would halt residential, commercial and industrial development in Granite City and throughout the Metro-East.

The referendum calls for a temporary 26-cents per \$100 assessed valuation tax increase, with a permanent increase of only 9 cents thereafter, to be paid by all taxpayers, corporate and private. The increase will cost the owner of a \$60,000 home only \$52 per year for five years.

In all, \$6,000,000 local tax dollars will be generated to match more than \$23,000,000 in government grants.

The Democrat Precinct Committeemen of Granite City believe the project is vital and that the available grants create the fairest and most beneficial circumstances possible for local taxpayers.

SIGNED:

**FRANK LAUB**, Chairman  
**SANDY PENCE**, Vice Chairman  
**DEBBIE SALTICH**, Secretary  
**JOSEPH PARENTE**, Treasurer









## Lenten Union services scheduled

The United Methodist Church of Madison and Granite City are holding Lenten Union services each Sunday night during Lent.

The second of these services will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday in the United Methodist Church of Madison, Fifth Street and Ewing Avenue. The speaker will be the

## Property tax calls for tax form caution

Most homeowners in the state are eligible to subtract property taxes from their adjusted gross income in the tax return, said Illinois Department of Revenue is reminding filers to use caution when they get to Line 4.

"Illinois law permits taxpayers to subtract Illinois real estate tax

Rev. Jerry Reed, pastor of the Nameoki United Methodist Church.

The host church will provide singing.

Following the service, there will be a time for fellowship and refreshments in the church basement.

## Upcoming meetings of Quad-City Area governmental taxing bodies

paid in 1988 for property that served as their principal residence in 1987," said Revenue Director Rose Syverson.

Items that cannot be included in the property tax subtraction are farmland, business or rental property, unoccupied buildings, or most vacant land.

## Grassroots

Venice Park Board, 6 p.m., Monday, Feb. 27, Board Office, 323 Broadway, Venice.

Venice School Board, 7 p.m., Monday, Feb. 27, Board Office, Broadway and Seventh Street, Venice (changed from Feb. 23).

Nameoki Township, 7 p.m., Monday, Feb. 27, Township Office, 4250 Illinois 162.

Rose Township, 7 p.m., Monday, Feb. 27, Township Office, 906 Thorntail Drive, Mitchell.

Granite City Council, 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 28, City Hall, 2000 Edison Ave.

Pontoon Beach Village Board, 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 28, Village Hall, 3910 Illinois 111, Pontoon Beach.

Venice City Council, 8 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 28, City Hall, Broadway and Klein Street, Venice.

## Granite City police

## Electronic games gone

In a burglary at the home of Janice Brimberry in the 2700 block of Washington Avenue, reported Feb. 17, a Nintendo video game valued at \$150 was stolen. Also taken were two unopened game cartridges worth \$160 and nine cassette tapes worth \$90.

## Fist fight damages auto

Patricia Petrosky, 22, of the 3700 block of Nameoki Road reported Feb. 19 that she and a woman friend, who was driving, hit the street to her car in the 1900 block of Delmar Avenue, a third woman walked up to her friend and struck her with a fist.

One of the women was pushed out of the car of Petrosky's car denting and scratching the surface, she said.

While Petrosky was attempting to help her friend, the assailant also hit Petrosky with a fist.

## Man booked on warrants

Marty W. Sexton, 22, of the 2700 block of Warren Avenue was arrested at 12:25 a.m. Feb. 18 in the 1000 block of State Street on two warrants, including failure to appear on charges of resisting arrest and disorderly conduct.

## Arrest for trespassing

Larry Wayne Catterton, 29, of the 2300 block of Washington Avenue was charged with criminal trespass to a residence when arrested at 2:32 a.m. Feb. 17 on State Street.

Catterton allegedly entered the home of Robert and Esther Paulin of the 1300 block of 19th Street wanting a ride in a taxicab. Paulin said he called 911 and he told Catterton three times to leave but the man finally walked out.

Catterton pleaded innocent in a court appearance the same day and was released on bond Feb. 18.

## Arrested on warrant

Ricky Wayne Smeiser, 26, of Collinsville was arrested Feb. 17 in the 4000 block of Kirkpatrick Home on a warrant charging failure to appear on an allegation of battery.

## Criminal damage alleged

Robert Michael Barnhart, 41, of the 3100 block of State Street was arrested there on a warrant alleging criminal damage to property Feb. 14. He was later released.

## Cash and radio missing

Patricia Petrosky, 22, of the 100 block of Kirkpatrick Homes reported Feb. 15 she found the rear door open when she returned home; \$80 cash and an AM-FM radio and cassette player valued at \$89 were missing.

## VCR stolen by burglar

The front door was pried at the home of Robin McCumb in the 2300 block of August Street and a video cassette recorder valued at \$290 was taken. She reported Feb. 15.

## Contempt warrant served

While making a traffic stop at Iowa and 26th streets at 12:40 a.m. Feb. 18, an officer arrested David A. Tait, 21, of the 700 block of 26th Street, a passenger in the vehicle, on a contempt of court warrant, charging failure to appear on a charge of obstructing a police officer.

## Burglar takes detector

A radar detector valued at \$130 was taken at the residence of the home of Jeff A. Criley in the 2700 block of Delmar Avenue when the burglar broke a vent window to gain entry.

## Sent to juvenile home

A 15-year-old Granite City boy was transferred Feb. 20 to the Madison County Detention Home in Edwardsville after he allegedly punched his mother and damaged items in the home. The boy ran from the house and was caught by an officer a short distance away.

## Drives off with cash

Kirk Thoeke, 20, of St. Louis, said he and a brother, Mark, 28, accompanied a man from an area motel to an address in Granite City, where the man had said a video cassette recorder was for sale.

When they reached the 1700 block of Maple Street all three got out of the car and the man pointed toward a house on the block. Look over there, " the Thoeke said.

The man then got back into the car and drove off with \$135 belonging to them, they alleged. The thief had short Afro-style hair and a mustache and was a suit and a tie. He was about 6 feet 2 inches tall.

## Stereo system stolen

A Pioneer stereo system valued at \$2,000 was taken in a burglary at the home of Nicholas C. Jakich Jr., in the 3100 block of Colgate Drive, it was reported Feb. 20. The missing equipment totaled 10 components, including an AM-FM cassette tuner, turntable, equalizer and four speakers.

Radar device missing

A radar detector was stolen from an auto owned by Linda Mosier of Collinsville while the auto was parked in the 2400 block of Edison Avenue, it was reported Feb. 20.

Parked truck burglared

A radio tool box holding motorcycle tools valued at \$75, a radar detector worth \$245 and a blue vinyl folder — containing the truck registration and miscellaneous papers — were taken in the burglary of a truck, it was reported Feb. 20 by Edwardsville Police.

Contempt warrant served

Scott William Nunn, 25, of the 100 block of Briarhurst Drive was arrested there Feb. 20 on a contempt warrant charging failure to appear on a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol. He posted \$302 bail and was released pending a hearing.

## Intruder ransacks rooms

A burglar stole \$90 and ransacked the living room and a bedroom at the home of Bobby Rush in the 2000 block of Jefferson Avenue, he reported Feb. 20. A window had been forced open.

## Reports purse missing

Jackie White of the 2500 block of Parkview Drive reported Feb. 12 that her beige/tan purse was stolen or lost while she was at Al's 520 Club in the 500 block of Madison Avenue.

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